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## **Mustard agent sampling project underway at Deseret Chemical Depot**

The U.S. Army and EG&G Defense Materials, Inc, recently began a joint project to sample the contents of the stockpile of bulk containers filled with mustard blister agent at Deseret Chemical Depot, Utah.

The sampling project is expected to take 2 ½ to three years to complete. Bulk container disposal operations are expected to begin this summer; targeted for destruction are sampled containers identified as having no or low mercury contamination and low solids content.

## **Soldier power fuel cell development**

The Communications-Electronics Research, Development and Engineering Center's Army Power Division, Fort Belvoir, Va., awarded a contract to Ultracell Corporation for continued development of the XX25, a 25W Reformed Methanol Fuel Cell for Soldier power applications.

As part of the \$1.11 million effort, Ultracell delivered two units in May and is scheduled to deliver three additional units by fall 2006. These units are being developed under the Army CERDEC Mounted/Dismounted Soldier Power Army Technology Objective Program.

## **ANCDF receives third consecutive Safe Operating Facility of the Year award**

Westinghouse Anniston and the Anniston Chemical Agent Disposal Facility, Ala., received its third consecutive Safe Operating Facility of the Year award from Washington Group International.

Westinghouse Anniston, its subcontractors and the Anniston Chemical Agent Disposal Facility have more than 8.7 million safe work hours, 2,214 safe work days and a recordable injury rate of 0.49 per 200,000 hours worked as of the end of May. This accomplishment makes working at the chemical weapons destruction facility in Anniston one of the safest places in the nation to work, according to statistics from the National Safety Council.

## **Blue Grass, Tooele employees receive contracting award**

Employees at Blue Grass Army Depot, Richmond, Ky., and Tooele Army Depot, Utah, recently received the 2005 Federal Achievement Award from the Center for Veteran's Enterprise.

Recipients were Christine Wren, Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization specialist and chief of contracting at Blue Grass Army Depot, and Michael Newton, SADBUs specialist and chief of contracting at Tooele Army Depot. Wren and Newton were recognized for their efforts at an awards ceremony in conjunction with the 2nd Annual National Veteran's Small Business Conference. The award is given to organizations that award more than three percent of their contracts to service-disabled veteran-owned small businesses.

## **Did you know ...**

NSPS stands for National Security Personnel System. For more information on NSPS visit <http://www.cpms.osd.mil/nsps/index.html>. Headquarters, Army Materiel Command point of contacts for NSPS are Ann Rodriguez, 703-806-8708, or Donna Capps, 703-806-8167.

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